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# Office Action Summary

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☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on Dec 14, 1999

☐ This action is **FINAL**.

☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, **prosecution as to the merits is closed** in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 35 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire 3 month(s), or thirty days, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this communication. Failure to respond within the period for response will cause the application to become abandoned. (35 U.S.C. § 133). Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

## Disposition of Claim

☒ Claim(s) 8-23 is/are pending in the application

Of the above, claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration

☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.

☒ Claim(s) 8-23 is/are rejected.

☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.

☐ Claims \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction or election requirement.

## Application Papers

☐ See the attached Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948.

☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to by the Examiner.

☐ The proposed drawing correction, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is ☐ approved ☐ disapproved.

☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

## Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).

☐ All ☐ Some\* ☒ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been  
☐ received.

☐ received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) \_\_\_\_\_

☐ received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\*Certified copies not received: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

## Attachment(s)

☒ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s) \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413

☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948

☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

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### DETAILED ACTION

1. This is in response to the applicant's amendment and argument received on December 14, 1999 in which claim 8 has been amended and 20-23 have been added.

#### *Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103*

2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. Claims 8-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Turcotte in view of Crane et al. (Crane).

Regarding to claims 8, 15, Turcotte teaches a method of transferring data between a first device and a second device, the second device being remote from the first device, and both the first and second device being one of a mobile station capable of communicating over a mobile communications network, and of a computer capable of being connected to the mobile communication network (i.e., transmitting messages from one mobile unit to another mobile unit via the service center or network, col. 1, lines 25-36, col. 10, lines 40-49), the method comprising: transmitting information from the first device to the second device via at least one mobile communications network (col. 3, lines 20-33, lines 65-67), transmitting a text message including a subject and time of an event (i.e., the appointment for this evening is canceled, col. 7, lines 45-57); receiving said text message at the second device (i.e., mobile station received the R-

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Data which includes an appointment, col. 7, lines 45-65); and storing the subject of the event of said received text message at the time of the event in an electronic calendar of the second device (i.e., the appointment for this evening is canceled, this message typically stores in the mobile for user to read it, col. 7, lines 45-57).

Turcotte does not specifically teaches transmitting a reservation calendar from one user to a second user via a communication network.

However, transmitting a reservation calendar from one user to a second user via a communication network is very well known in the art of communications, as evidenced by Crane. Crane discloses a notepad that receives messages over a network via the briefcase, said messages include requested information, calendar, instructions to make airplane reservation (col. 2, line 54 to col. 3, line 19). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, at the time of the invention, to have implemented the technique of Crane with the system of Turcotte in order to receive and send messages, make airline reservation in a manner that is simple and user-friendly format such that the user need not refer to a manual nor memorize an endless list of commands.

“With respect to claims 20, 21, they have limitations similar to those discussed above, and hence are rejected as being anticipated by Turcotte for the same reason given above.”

Regarding to claims 9, 22, Turcotte teaches the steps of allowing the user of the second device to select between confirming and canceling of said received text message, and performing

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the step of storing as a response to a confirmation by the user (col. 7, line 31 to col. 8, line 26, claims 5-7).

Regarding to claim 10, Turcotte teaches the step of sending a confirmation message from the second device to the first device as a response to said confirming of said received text message (col. 8, lines 10-26).

Regarding to claims 11, 16, Crane inherently teaches wherein the step of transmitting and receiving includes transmitting and receiving said calendar reservation in a user message, (col. 5, line 13 to col. 6, line 30)

Regarding to claims 12, 17, Turcotte discloses wherein said user message is one of a short message, a message according to the standardized SMS message, a message according to the standardized R data field message, a message according to the standardized USSD message, a message according to the standardized SOC message, and a message according to a wireless packet radio service (col. 4, lines 4-66).

Regarding to claims 13, 18, Turcotte inherently teaches wherein said user message comprises ASCII characters since the ASCII is the most popular coding system used in small communications device to convert letters and numbers into digital form.

Regarding to claims 14, 19, Turcotte teaches the short message includes an identifier identifying said user message (col. 5, lines 1-55).

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Regarding to claim 23, Turcotte discloses the mobile station comprising a processor for connecting said received calendar reservation with said electronic calendar (i.e., the text message may include an appointment, col. 7, lines 45-55, col. 12, lines 9-15)

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Milewski et al. teaches communications system and method for operation for electronic messaging using structured response objects and virtually mailboxes.

Horvitz et al. teaches goal-driven information interpretation and extraction system.

Maeda et al. teaches packet size data storage apparatus with tablet device for inputting image data.

Hidaka teaches information managing apparatus capable of utilizing related information in different function modes.

Pepper et al. teaches system and method for automatically screening and directing incoming calls.

### *Conclusion*

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3900.

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